

# Virginia Green Lodging Profile:



## Montclair Bed and Breakfast

### Staunton, Virginia

*Virginia Green Lodging* is the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) initiative to promote pollution prevention (P2) practices in the tourism and hospitality industry. *Green Lodging* encourages hotels, resorts, and other hospitality operations to be aware of their impact on the environment and to take steps to reduce these impacts. *Green Lodging* is a non-regulatory program, and participation is completely voluntary and free of charge.

#### **Montclair Bed and Breakfast**

Montclair Bed and Breakfast is located in the historic Stuart Addition of Staunton. The house is a c.1880 Italianate Townhouse with Fox Hunt Décor and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Montclair is committed to environmental excellence and works to minimize environmental impacts whenever possible.



## Green Lodging Activities. When visiting Montclair Bed and Breakfast, you can expect the following practices:

#### **CORE ACTIVITIES for Green Lodging**

- Optional Linen Service. Sheets and towels are not automatically changed every day during your stay.
  - Purchase water efficient washers and dryers
  - Use linen service providers that employ "wet" versus "dry" cleaning
- Recycling and Waste Reduction. Green Lodging Facilities must provide recycling. Recycling should be highly visible and made available to guests with clear signage. A general commitment to reducing total amount of waste should be made.
  - Recycle: Glass, Aluminum Cans, Steel Cans, Plastic, Office Paper, Toner Cartridges, Newspaper, Cardboard, Fluorescent Lamps, Batteries and Electronics Equipment
  - Fill reusable shampoo bottles and bulk soap dispensers
  - Eliminate use of Styrofoam
  - Use dishware and glassware to minimize use of disposables
  - Refill water pitchers to minimize single use bottles
  - Encourage suppliers to minimize packaging and other waste materials
  - Use two-sided copying and printing
  - Use latex paint
  - Recycle/dispose of thinners and solvents properly
  - Use preventative maintenance on all appliances, HVAC systems, plumbing, and vehicles
  - Minimize use of pesticides and herbicides
- **Water Conservation.** The facility must have a plan for conserving water that should consider plumbing modifications and landscaping.
  - Use dry clean up methods over water-based methods
  - Micro-fiber technology mops
  - Low flow restrictors on faucets and showerheads
  - Cisterns and drip-line irrigation
  - Minimization of impervious areas

- Energy Conservation. The facility must have a plan in place that encourages replacement of lighting and equipment to energy-efficient alternatives.
  - Tracking overall energy bills and set a numeric goal to reduce
  - Use high efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs in rooms and spotlights
  - Use high efficiency fluorescent ballasts and lamps
  - Have High Efficiency Heating & Air Conditioning and use ceiling fans
  - Use natural lighting whenever possible
  - Use directional lighting in parking lots and walkways
- Green Events Package. The facility must offer a "green" or "environmentally-friendly" package for conferences, meetings and other events. Even if the facility only offers occasional, small events, at least recycling will be provided.

For more information on **Montclair**, see <a href="www.bbonline.com/va/montclair/">www.bbonline.com/va/montclair/</a> or contact Mark and Sherri Bang at <a href="mebang@verizon.net">mebang@verizon.net</a>.

For more information on *Virginia Green Lodging* program, see <a href="https://www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging">www.deq.virginia.gov/p2/lodging</a>.



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